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INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting Held in Director's
Conference Room, Administration Building
Central Intelligence Agency, on 3 November 1953

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
Lt. Gen. Charles P. Cabell
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Special Assistant for Intelligence,
Department of State
Major General Richard C. Partridge, Assistant Chief of
Staff, G-2, Department of the Army
Rear Admiral Carl F. Espe, Director of Naval Intelligence,
Department of the Navy
Major General John A. Samford, Director of Intelligence,
Headquarters, United States Air Force
Brigadier General Edward H. Porter, Deputy Director for
Intelligence, The Joint Staff
Dr. Charles H. Reichardt, Atomic Energy Commission
Representative to the IAC
Brigadier General Edward H. Porter, Deputy Director for
Intelligence, The Joint Staff
Mr. Victor Keay, acting for Assistant to the Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation

ALSO PRESENT

Mr. Robert Amory, Jr., Central Intelligence Agency
Dr. Sherman Kent, Central Intelligence Agency
* Dr. H. Marshall Chadwell, Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. Abbot Smith, Central Intelligence Agency

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Mr. William C. Trueheart, Department of State
Lt. Colonel T. C. Anderson, Department of the Army
Captain Allan L. Reed, USN, Department of the Navy
Brigadier General Millard Lewis, United States Air Force
Colonel Donald H. Ainsworth, United States Air Force
Colonel John J. Morrow, United States Air Force
Colonel Charles F. Gillis, United States Air Force
Colonel Robert Totten, United States Air Force
Captain E. T. Layton, USN, The Joint Staff


Secretary

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Approval of Minutes
(IAC-M-126, 20 October)

1. Action: Approved, subject to the deletion of the last sentence in item 4.

2. Action: Disapproved.

3. Discussion: Several members commented that NIE-99 was sufficiently a resumé of other estimates (some of which had not been released) to make it extremely difficult to sanitize. It was recognized that the services would

General Cabell felt that, by and large, it is to our net benefit to have exposed to our thinking, and that in considering specific estimates for release the IAC has the burden of showing why the estimate should not be released, the Government's policy being in favor of release.

Terms of Reference for NIE-105,
"Implications of Increasing
Soviet Nuclear Weapons Capabil-
ities on the Policies of Selected
Free World Countries"
(Board memo of 29 October)

4. Action: Directed that the estimate be undertaken, using the drafted terms of reference as broad and flexible guide lines.

5. Action: Agreed not to proceed with an estimate at this time, lacking knowledge of possible alternative of action, and recognized the possibility of a future request for a crash estimate.

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